

WE MUST “OVERCOME” UNTIL THE END

We must not be “deceived” any longer by erroneously believing that we will not have to “stand,” “occupy,” and “overcome” until the “Day of the Lord” which shall usher in Jesus’ second coming. As a matter of fact, let’s heed the words of Jesus Christ who is coming back for only those who “overcome” and “occupy” until the very end and finish the race which is set before us.

Therefore, for those few men who are left and remain (survive) the great tribulation we will not be “caught up” (raptured) until the dead in Christ are resurrected from their graves in the first resurrection based on what the apostle Paul says to us in First Thessalonians 4:16–17 which proclaims *“For the LORD HIMSELF will DESCEND from HEAVEN with a SHOUT, with the VOICE of an ARCHANGEL, and with the TRUMPET of GOD. And the DEAD in CHRIST will RISE first. Then WE who are ALIVE and REMAIN [G4035: *perileipō*: survive] shall be CAUGHT UP together with THEM [the dead in Christ] in the CLOUDS to MEET the LORD in the AIR. And thus WE shall ALWAYS be with the LORD.”* (NKJV) (emphasis added).

Until the FIRST resurrection of the dead in Christ happens, we will have to “overcome” and “occupy” until the very end based on what Jesus tells us in the Book of Revelation which is the testimony of Jesus Christ as written by the apostle John. As you read these passages of Scripture that we will shortly take a look at, Jesus specifically tells us over and over again that He is speaking to only those who “overcome” until they either take their last breath or He returns. So we would be “wise” to find out what the Greek meaning of this word “overcomes” means.

According to *Strong’s Greek Lexicon #G3528* the word “overcomes” Jesus used in all these passages of Scripture in the Book of Revelation that we will shortly cover, is the Greek word “nikaō” (pronounced “nē-kā’-ō”), which means: to “subdue” (literally or figuratively): conquer, overcome, prevail, get the victory.

So “who” or “what” are we “subduing” in order to “conquer” and “prevail” over in order to get the victory? Our flesh and God’s enemies!

Also, take notice that in Revelation 17:14, Jesus defines those who are with Him—they are the “called,” the “chosen,” and the “faithful.” Therefore, this confirms that many are called but few are chosen because they have not been found faithful until the very end!

Furthermore, Jesus tells us some of the things we will need to “overcome” in the passages of Scripture below. Yet He says to us in Revelation 2:10, *“Do not FEAR any of those*

THINGS which YOU are ABOUT to SUFFER. Indeed, the DEVIL is about to THROW some of YOU into PRISON, that you MAY BE TESTED, and YOU will have TRIBULATION TEN DAYS. Be FAITHFUL until DEATH, and I will GIVE YOU the CROWN of LIFE.” (NKJV) (emphasis added).

*“He who has an EAR, let him HEAR what the SPIRIT says to the CHURCHES. To HIM who **OVERCOMES** [G3528: *nikaō*: to subdue, conquer, and prevail in order to get the victory] I will GIVE to EAT from the TREE of LIFE, which is in the MIDST of the PARADISE of GOD.”* (Rev. 2:7, NKJV) (emphasis added).

*“He who has an EAR, let him HEAR what the SPIRIT says to the CHURCHES. He who **OVERCOMES** [G3528: *nikaō*: to subdue, conquer, and prevail in order to get the victory] shall not be HURT by the SECOND DEATH.”* (Rev. 2:11, NKJV) (emphasis added).

*“He who has an EAR, let him HEAR what the SPIRIT says to the CHURCHES. To him who **OVERCOMES** [G3528: *nikaō*: to subdue, conquer, and prevail in order to get the victory] I will GIVE some of the HIDDEN MANNA to EAT. And I will GIVE him a WHITE STONE, and on the STONE a NEW NAME WRITTEN which NO ONE KNOWS except HIM who RECEIVES it.”* (Rev. 2:17, NKJV) (emphasis added).

*“He who **OVERCOMES** [G3528: *nikaō*: to subdue, conquer, and prevail in order to get the victory] shall be CLOTHED in WHITE GARMENTS, and I will not BLOT OUT his NAME from the BOOK of LIFE; but I will CONFESS his NAME before My FATHER and before His ANGELS.”* (Rev. 3:5, NKJV) (emphasis added).

*“He who **OVERCOMES** [G3528: *nikaō*: to subdue, conquer, and prevail in order to get the victory] I will MAKE him a PILLAR in the TEMPLE of My GOD, and he shall GO OUT no MORE. I will WRITE on him the NAME of My GOD and the NAME of the CITY of My GOD, the NEW JERUSALEM, which COMES DOWN OUT of HEAVEN from My God. And I will WRITE on him My new NAME.”* (Rev. 3:12, NKJV) (emphasis added).

*“To HIM who **OVERCOMES** [G3528: *nikaō*: to subdue, conquer, and prevail in order to get the victory] I will GRANT to SIT with Me on My THRONE, as I also OVERCAME and SAT DOWN with My Father on His THRONE.”* (Rev. 3:21, NKJV) (emphasis added).

*“These will make WAR with the LAMB, and the LAMB will **OVERCOME** [G3528: *nikaō*: to subdue, conquer, and prevail in order to get the victory] THEM, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and THOSE WHO ARE WITH HIM are CALLED, CHOSEN, and FAITHFUL.”* (Rev. 17:14, NKJV) (emphasis added).

*“HE who **OVERCOMES** [G3528: *nikaō*: to subdue, conquer, and prevail in order to get the victory] shall INHERIT all THINGS, and I will be HIS God and HE shall be My SON.”* (Rev. 21:7, NKJV) (emphasis added).

*“But HOLD FAST WHAT YOU HAVE till I COME. And HE who **OVERCOMES** [G3528: *nikaō*: to subdue, conquer, and prevail in order to get the victory], and KEEPS My WORKS until THE END, to HIM I will give POWER over the NATIONS...”* (Rev. 2:25–26, NKJV) (emphasis added).

So clearly based on the words of the Captain of our Salvation—Jesus Christ we must "overcome" until the very end and finish the race which is set before us.

We shall “overcome” by the blood of the Lamb, by the word of our testimony, and not loving our lives unto death as long as we abide in Him and He abides in us. We must be found “faithful” until the very end of our lives or Jesus Christ returns—whichever comes first!

Are you ready to be an “overcomer”?

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